

Bob Moseley wins Potthast Award

An award for dedication in promoting training & safety to electric cooperatives in Wisconsin

When talking about hard work, dedication, leadership, and cooperation at Clark Electric Cooperative, we often think about Bob Moseley, director of operations. Bob started working at Clark Electric 32 years ago. Starting out as an apprentice lineman, he later became a lineman. He became an operations aide in 1987, working his way to assistant line superintendent, and in 1992 he became director of operations. Bob has dedicated himself to his family, his job, and to the community.



Bob Moseleyproudly displays the Herman C. Potthast Award presented to him at the Education & Legislative Conference held in Madison in March.

Because of these outstanding qualities, Bob was recently presented the Herman C. Potthast Award, given annually to the worker in Wisconsin rural electrification who best represents those qualities of dedication, leadership, cooperation, and service that were exemplified by "Potty" at the WECA Education and Legislative Conference held in Madison. Bob received his award in a very special and gratifying way that night.

Not knowing that he was to receive this award, he listened as the bio of the award winner was read; he finally realized it was him when the presenter an-

When describing Bob it was said that he doesn't know the meaning of these words... "I don't have the time" or "please find someone else to do the job" he's just truly dedicated to his job.

nounced that the winner had attended Alma Center High School, and the expression on his face said it all. Bob then was asked to come up to the podium to accept his award, but it wasn't there. The presenter asked where it was, and then out of the crowd appeared the award, delivered by Bob's children, Scott, Todd, and Terri and their spouses. Bob's wife, Joyce, was unable to attend the event, but because of how special the event and award are, the presentation was videotaped for her to view.

The Herman C. Potthast Award is named after "Potty," as he was called; he served the Wisconsin rural electric cooperatives for 29 years. He was instrumental in setting up safety and training programs in our state. He then started working for the REA, where he continued as a field safety officer until his death in 1972. The first winner of the Potthast Award was a former Clark Electric Cooperative employee, Jerry Sowieja, who saved the life a co-worker. Congratulations to Bob and his family.

A visit to Madison Directors go to the State Capitol to talk to area legislators

The job of being a director can be interesting and fun, but it also includes hard work. The Clark Electric Cooperative directors were recently in Madison to participate in and attend the WECA Legislative & Educational Conference.

Each year, directors, managers, and staff attend this conference to participate in educational seminars to enlighten everyone on cooperative issues. WECA also ties these seminars in with its legislative update, which is very important to the cooperatives.

The legislative update brings the directors and management together to learn about important legislation that has bearing on the cooperatives. Once these topics are brought to light, the cooperative

teams walk over to the Capitol to visit their local assemblymen and state representatives. Lobbying is very important; it's important that our elected officials know and understand that the laws or bills they are considering could have important consequences either good or bad—towards the cooperatives that their constituents are involved in.

During the visits, Clark Electric directors visited

Members Beware Offer of free electricity a scam

Around the country there is a promise of free electricity from a generator that uses no fuel, is quiet, and atmosphere friendly. The promotion goes on to call for consumers to send \$5 to \$10 for a video. You may also be asked to secure yourself a generator now by sending in \$1,000 dollars. These offers are from United Community Services of America, Better World Technologies, and the International Tesla Electric Co.

Buyers beware! If it sounds to good to be true, it normally is to good to be true. Members from cooperatives around the state and across the country are finding themselves spending money with little hope of return. Attorneys general in several states involved are looking at the legalities and ethics of these promotions.

The promoters have been advertising this device for several years and have yet to show one of the generators for examination, and to prove their claims. However, the video tells you that it does work.

Your cooperative is concerned for all. If such a device were out there and working, we and other utilities would know about it. We are all for efficiencies and the promotion of clean and economical power sources; in fact, look at our interest in and promotion of the fuel cell. Please be wise to these types of scams.



Clark Electric Directors Ron Schmidt, Vern Kowalewski, Henry Janezich, Wilmer Griepentrog, General Manager Dick Adler, Tony Jarocki, and Jerry Smith at the State Capitol during the WECA Legislative & Education Conference.

the offices of Senator Dave Zien and Assembly Representative Scott Suder. The directors discussed important legislation concerning the building of new power plants and a bill concerning the gross receipts tax on wholesale energy. Both of these upcoming topics are important to our cooperative and to Dairyland, which provides our energy and energy to other utilities in this state.

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